

## **WIC Advisory Committee Minutes**

January 26, 2016	Facilitator: Bev Frizell, Southcentral Region Rep
10:00 AM	Minutes: Patrice Thomsen
Welcome and Attendance (Facilitator)	

Region		Representative		Alternate
Southwest	х	Tiffani Krause	х	Yolanda Erives
Northwest	х	Rhea Daise		Melissa Wachendorfer
South Central	х	Bev Frizell		Pam Guldner
North Central	Х	Aarynne Struble	х	Rebecca Potvin
Southeast	Х	Kandy Dowell		Linda Timme
Northeast	х	Angie Reith	х	Connie Zeit
LA NWA Rep	Х	Carol Winter		
State Staff	Х	Patrice Thomsen	Х	Valerie Merrow
State Staff	Х	Lisa Long	Х	Rachelle Hazelton
State Staff	Х	Ashley Warren	Х	Sandi Fry
State Staff	Х	Janna Gunckle	Х	Dave Thomason
State Staff	Х	Randy Volz		

Review and Approval of Minutes	Minutes from Oct. 21 had been approved by email and posted on the WIC Advisory Committee page of the Kansas WIC website.	
NWA Report (Carol Winter)	Feb. 9 will be the first regional conference call for the NWA regional reps. She has the agenda. Big items are decreasing caseload, eWIC, the proposed Child Nutrition Bill. Major changes in the proposals include 2 year certification for infants and changing categorical eligibility for children to end at age 6 or first day of kindergartern. Carol.Winter@jocogov.org & 913-477-8126	
Update on Kansas WIC Conference –Patrice Thomsen	See January I-Memo.	
KWIC update – Reminder Upcoming Release 2.0.2 (Sandi Fry and Ashley Warren)	<ol> <li>eWIC Shopper Application. We will contract for this. Client can use their smart phone to check food product eligibility, benefits on eWIC card, and other features. Estimated of implementation is last summer. Summary will be presented at our conference</li> <li>eWIC – high level time-line         <ul> <li>a. KWIC changes by Dec. 31, 2016</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

	<ul> <li>b. Pilot – June 2017</li> <li>c. Implementation starting fall 2017 and finishing in mid-2018</li> <li>3. Windows 10 – KWIC has not been tested for Windows 10. (See January KWIC Focus!)</li> <li>4. Next KWIC Client Services release will be May 9. No major changes that will need extensive training. Watch for Release Notes and provide to staff.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>KWIC suggestions from request for WAC agenda items (Ashley or Sandi)</li> <li>Tailoring BF Bonus checks</li> <li>Save &amp; Stay, Save &amp; Close, Cancel</li> <li>Change process - what to do with future suggestions</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Tailoring BF Bonus Checks – Cannot change now because of how KWIC is designed (set items, not linked to Tailoring). With eWIC can increase the food package and tailor so that will be the design, not a BF Bonus Check.</li> <li>Save and Stay, Save &amp; Close, Cancel – in plan maybe for Fall of 2016. But eWIC may take over so might get pushed back to much later</li> <li>There is a formal Change Process for KWIC. If you have ideas, please submit to your assigned state staff member.</li> </ol>
LA suggestion for policy change for not replacing lost/stolen checks starting FFY 2017, i.e. Oct. 1, 2016 (Carol Winter, response by state staff)	Although the State staff understand that dealing with lost checks is a burden to local staff, we won't be making any policy changes. With eWIC, dealing with a lost card will be much different. As long as the client has not kept the PIN with the card nobody will be able to use it. There will be a reporting procedure and the card can be deactivated and a new card issued. So even if found, the "lost" card cannot be used.
Is there a "standard" wait time in the WIC clinic for certification appointments? (Carol Winter, response by state staff)	(Question refers to length of appointment) No standard time because different types of appointments and different client situations will take different times.  Johnson – Figures about 1½ hours for a family of 2. 1 about 1 hour.  Seward – has tried to set a standard of no more than an hour if client has the paperwork filled out.  Riley – has found it faster for the RD to do the check-out process instead of sending back to clerk.
Update from the State WIC Director (Dave Thomason)  Overall Fiscal update  Clarify Intent of Extra Training Funds  WIC Stakeholder Meeting  WIC Data Collection Study  WIC Health Channel  State Agency Vacancies	<ul> <li>Overall Fiscal update –</li> <li>Clarify Intent of Extra Training Funds Special training funds – would prefer agencies budget for smaller trainings and use the special fund application for more expensive meetings</li> <li>WIC Stakeholder Meeting – Feb. 17 in Salina. Will send invitations to some, but if any WAC members want to attend, let Dave know ASAP</li> <li>WIC Data Collection Study</li> <li>WIC Health Channel – think of it as "Net Flicks for WIC", 2-20 minutes long. Could be used with one-on-one counseling or incorporated into secondary nutrition ed. Dave will briefly present at the conference and send out more info this spring or summer.</li> <li>State Agency Vacancies – Nutrition Services Coordinator, and BFPC</li> </ul>

	Coordinator (will be an RD position and part of Management Eval team.	
Round Table Discussion-All	Arrynne S – Similac Advance 19 kcal versus 20 kcal. 20 Kca/oz version is on their website. Can we get this? Answer – not per our contract.  Carol – Recent revisions to how to calculate income – still a concern. Answer – Sandi Fry – There will be a work group to revise the screen. Can add Carol to the work groupl	
Next Meeting and Adjourn (Facilitator)	April 19, 2016 – Angie Reith as facilitator  July 19, 2016 - Carol Winter as facilitator.	
	Oct. 18, 2016 – Kandy Dowell as facilitator	